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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Livshits et al.

Art Unit: 1652

Application No.: 09/466,935

Examiner: Steadman

Filing Date: December 20, 1999

Attorney Ref. No.: US-1260

For: NOVEL GENE AND METHOD FOR

PRODUCING AMINO ACIDS

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend the period for response for filing the Response to the Official Action mailed October 15, 2004. one month(s) to March 15, 2005.

The period for response has previously been extended to February 15, 2005.

Please charge our deposit account 50-3077 the requisite fees for this petition. Also, the undersigned hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge any deficiency, or credit any overpayment, necessary to maintain pendancy of this application to the same deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

Bv:

Shelly Guest Cermak Registration No. 39,571

U.S. P.T.O. Customer No. 38108 Ajinomoto USA, Inc. 1120 Connecticut Ave., Ste. 1010 Washington D.C. 20036 202.457.0284

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	NOVEL GENE AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING L-AMINO ACIDS	Via Pacsimile to: 703.872.9306		
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) UNDER 37 CFR §1.114				
Comm	Stop RCE aissioner for Patents lox 1450 adria, VA 22313-1450			
Sir:		,		
	This is a Request for Continued Exami	nation (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of		
the ab	ove-identified application. The following	g are submitted:		
1.	Submission required under 37 C.F.R. 1.114:			
	 a. Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked. i. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Repty Brief previously filed on 			
	ii. 🔲 Other			
	b. Enclosed i. Amendment/Reply ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)	iii. Information Disclosure Statement iv. Other: Reply to Notice of Non-		
	•	Compliant Amendment		
2.	Miscellaneous	·		
	 a. Suspension of action on the above-identifier for a period of months. (Periods of suspension of the control of the	d application is requested under 37 C.F.R. 1.103(c) tension shall not exceed 3 months. Fee under 37		
3.	filed.	s required by 37 C.F.R. 1.114 when the RCE is rege the following fees, or credit any overpayments, C.F.R. §1.17(e)		

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 ,	b. Check in the amount of \$ c. Payment by credit card (Fe	enclosed orm PTO-2038 enclosed)	

Respectfully submitted,

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